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Applicant : Josef-Georg Bauer et al.

Applic. No. : 09/761,240

Filed : January 17, 2001

Title : Power Semiconductor Element with an Emitter

Region and a Stop Zone in Front of the

Emitter Region

Examiner : Johannes P. Mondt

Group Art Unit: 2826

AMENDMENT

sir:

Responsive to the non-final Office action dated May 15, 2002, kindly amend the above-identified application as follows:

In the Claims:

Claim 1 (twice amended). A power semiconductor element, comprising:

an emitter region;

a stop zone in front of the emitter region;